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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
December 15. NORDSTJERNEN, Danish str., 782, N. Jensen, Captain 14th December, General—CAPTAIN.
December 15. VIGILANT, British despatch-boat, Lieut.-Commander W. M. Annesley, Shanghai 11th December.
December 15. MONSIEUR, British corvette, Captain J. G. Mead, Shanghai 4th December.
December 15. U. BERMER, German 3-m. s.s., 332, Bruner, Antoy 12th Dec., BEIJING—CHINESE.
December 15. FU-YEW, Chinese steamer, 920, A. Great, Canton 15th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.
December 15. PAITAL, Chinese steamer, 872, M. F. Patterson, Shanghai 12th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.

CLEARANCES.
At the HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, DECEMBER 15TH.
Charlton, British steamer, for Haiphong.
Welle, German steamer, for Hoiohong.
Nordstjernen, Danish steamer, for Chinkiang.
Fu-yew, Chinese steamer, for Shanghai.
Eduis, Steamer, for Singapore.
Glenallock, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Charles T. Hook, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.
December 15. YOCTRYN, British steamer, for SWALW.
December 15. ANCONA, British steamer, for Singapore, BOMBAY, &c.
December 15. NORDSTJERNEN, Danish str., for Chinkiang.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per H. Browne, from AMoy.—6 Seamen.
Per Padath, str., from Shanghai.—130 Chinese.
DEPARTED.
The following passengers departed last night at 4 p.m. per P. & G. steamer *Antoy*.
From Hongkong to Singapore—Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty, To Point de Gallo—Captain and Mrs. Ashton, and S. W. Campbell, To Bombay.—Mr. D. C. Maitre, To Southampton—Mrs. Howe and 2 children, From Shanghai to Brunei—Lieutenant C. Sloane, R.N. To Southampton—Captain the Hon. A. S. Denison, R.N., and Messrs. C. J. Hook and J. Sawyer, For Nordsjælland, str., for Chinkiang.—10 Chinese.

TO DEPART.
Per Welle, str., for Hoiohong—50 Chinese.
Per Fu-yew, str., for Shanghai—12 Chinese.
Per Eduis, str., for Singapore—5 Chinese.
Per Glenallock, str., for Shanghai—1 Euro-
pean.
Per Charles T. Hook, str., for Saigon.—150 Chinese.

REPORTS.
The Chinese steamer *Panay* reports left Shanghai on the 12th instant, and had fine weather throughout, with light N.W. winds.

The German three-masted schooner *H. Bremer* reports left Amoy on the 12th instant, and had fine weather with light variable winds throughout. On the 14th passed the O. & O. steamer *Glenallock* from Breaker Point, from Hongkong to Yokohama.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

December 15. ARRIVALS.

1. Horseguards, British str., from Rangoon.
2. Tokki, German bark, from Saigon.
3. Shinyagone, British str., from Ponape.
4. Lorne, British steamer, from Swatow.
5. Birken, British steamer, from Sourabaya.
6. Buntan, British steamer, from Samarang.
7. Ban Y. Song, British str., from Bangkok.
8. Glenallock, British str., from Hongkong.
9. Bruno, Dutch steamer, from Achterhoek.
10. Patoevo, Dutch steamer, from Achterhoek.
11. Kuroko, Japanese steamer, from Nagasaki.
12. Bruno, Japanese steamer, from Samane.
13. Douton, British steamer, from Melaka.
14. Mizaroma, British steamer, from Bonyan.
15. Baui, British steamer, from Palembang.
16. Kourso, British steamer, from Bangkok.
17. Willow, British bark, from Cardiff.
18. E. Blowers, German bark, from Cardiff.
19. Forster, British 3-m. s.s., from Bangkok.
December—DEPARTURES.

20. Puyok Peket, British steamer, for Penang.

December 15. ARRIVALS.

1. May Flower, British steamer, for Malacca.
2. Aurora, Spanish steamer, for Liverpool.
3. Axa, French steamer, for Marseilles.
4. Bimora, French steamer, for Batavia.
5. Bivona, British steamer, for Bangkok.
6. Oriental, British steamer, for Calcutta.
7. Glenlyon, British steamer, for London.
8. Bungkok, Japanese steamer, for Bangkok.
9. Redoubtable, British str., for Hongkong.
10. Lewis III, British steamer, for Malacca.
11. Bresia, British steamer, for Singapore.
12. Japan, British steamer, for Malacca.
13. Bruno, Dutch steamer, for Batavia.
14. Buntan, British steamer, for Samarang.
15. Lorne, British steamer, for Ponape.

VEHICLES ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA.

(For last Mail's Advice.)

Merchandise, Japan—1000.

Champi—1000.

Antonov, Japan—1000.

Marine, Japan—1000.

Guangzhou, China—1000.

General, China—10

EXTRACTS.

TWO SONNETS.

It scarcely seems to me a year ago
Since thy last birthday, gone and passed away;
And from a heart since I did know,
My kindest wishes on that happy day.
What more can I repeat than I have said,
What better things can I desire for thee?
And when thou needst to be comforted,
Entreat me with thy heart's fidelity;
Entrust me with the trouble and thy care,
Entreat me with thy burdens day by day;
Believe me that I do not wish to share
Only the hours when life is bright and gay.
And then forsake us in thy years to come,
Whensoever sorrow steals into thy home.
The little cloud that crept o'er our lives between—
Has vanished, and my sky is blue again;
Once more my heart is trusting and serene,
Joy occupies the place of doubt and pain.
This reconciliation is to me

Like blessed sunlight when the storm is past,
Again I dare to pin my faith to thee,
The fair may come and skies be overcast;
Near the aim I to-day in heart and thought,
Across these many miles my far-off friend,
The brightness that surrounds this I have caught.
And hope to hold it safely to the end.
Oh! may no sorrow dim thy life to-day,
But perfect love crown all thy happy way.

MAX.

THE ADVANTAGES OF BEING AN ELECTOR IN BAVARIA.

A STORY OF TICONDEROGA.

Dean Stanley tells the following story in *Frederick's Magazine*—In the middle of the last century the Chief of the Campbells of Inverary had been giving an entertainment at his castle on the banks of the Awa. The party had broken up and Campbell was left alone. He was roused by a violent knocking at the gate, and was surprised at the appearance of one of his guests, with torn garments and dishevelled hair, demanding admission. "I have killed a man and I am pursued by my enemies. I beseech you to let me in. Swear upon your dirk—upon the crucifix or his head—where your dirk rests—swear by Ben Cruachan—that you will not betray me." The door was opened, and the fugitive was admitted, and placed the fugitive in a secret place in the house. Presently there was a second knocking at the gate. It was a party of his guests who said, "Your cousin Donald has been killed; where is the murderer?" At this announcement Campbell remembered the great oath which he had sworn, gave an evasive answer, and sent off the pursuers in the wrong direction. He then went to the fugitive and said, "You have killed my cousin Donald. I cannot keep you here." The murderer appealed to his oath, and persuaded Campbell to let him stay for the night. Campbell did so, and retired to rest. In the vision of that night the blood-stained Donaldaid appeared to him with these words— "Inverawe, Inverawe, blood has been shed; shield not the murderer." In the morning Campbell went to his guest, and told him that any further shelter was impossible. He took him, however, to a cave in Ben Cruachan, and there left him. The night again passed, and Campbell again slept, and again the bloodstained Donald appeared. "Inverawe, Inverawe, blood has been shed; shield not the murderer." On the morning he went to the cave on the mountain, and the murderer had fled. Again at night he slept, and again the bloodstained Donald rose before him and said: "Inverawe, Inverawe, blood has been shed. We shall not meet again till we meet at Ticonderoga." He woke in the morning, and behold it was a dream. But the story of the triple apparition remained, by him, and he often told it among his friends, asking always what the ghost could mean by this mysterious word of their final rendezvous.

In 1758 there broke out the French and English war in America, which after many reverses ended in the conquest of Quebec by General Wolfe. Campbell of Inverawe went out with the Black Watch, the Forty-second Highland Regiment, afterwards so famous. There, on the eve of an engagement, the General came to the officers and said: "We had better not tell Campbell the name of the fortress which we are to attack to-morrow. It is Ticonderoga. Let us call it Fort George." The assault took place in the morning. Campbell was mortally wounded, and was sent to the General. These were his last words: "General, you have deceived me: I have seen him again. This is Ticonderoga."

THE SCIENCE OF FANNING.

The existence and universal use of the fan among women is a striking evidence of the unscientific nature of their minds. The great doctrine of the correlation of forces, which was invented some twenty years ago, has never made the slightest impression on the female mind. This doctrine teaches us that heat is but a mode of motion, and that there is only one force which manifests itself by heat as by motion. Thus, if a woman runs after a boy with a view to giving him moral instruction, the motion heats her. When she catches the boy and instructs him with her slipper, the motion of the slipper develops heat in the boy. Of this scientific fact Mr. Dickens unconsciously found a beautiful illustration in his account of the relations existing between Mrs. Mac-Stinger and her youngest son, Alexander. Mr. Dickens asserts that after Mrs. Mac-Stinger had stimulated Alexander to avoid wrong-doing by means of her slipper, the heat developed in the child's system was so great that it was necessary to place him on a cool stone with a view of restoring his normal temperature. In this case, as in all other illustrations of the correlations of forces, the amount of heat produced was precisely the same as the amount of energy used in connection with the slipper. Dickens knew nothing of this great scientific truth, but his wonderful power of observation had taught him the effect of energy applied to the human body.

All women, being ignorant of the relation between the expenditure of energy and the production of heat, believe that they can cool themselves by the use of the fan.

Even the ignorant man, who knows nothing of science, feels instinctively that the muscular exertion of fanning himself must necessarily develop heat. So obstinate and unscientific is woman, on the contrary, that she will resent as a malicious joke the assertion that it is impossible for her to cool herself with her fan. The temperature of the woman who sits down to wield a fan on a hot day, is let us suppose, 100 degrees Fahrenheit. If she fans herself four times in a second, or 240 times per minute, she exerts a muscular energy that may be mathematically expressed by saying that it is sufficient to raise one pound one-eighth of an inch above the surface of the earth at the level of the sea. Now, this energy, as fast as it is expended, is converted into heat, and the heat thus developed is sufficient to raise the woman's heat temperature one degree. The action of the fan upon the atmosphere cools the surface of the woman precisely one degree; that is, to say it would have this effect were the air which is put in motion, to reach her entire surface. In point of fact, it only reaches a certain proportion of her surface, and hence does not reduce her temperature to the full extent of one degree. Were it to do so, the final result of the fanning experiment would be exactly nil. The woman's temperature would be raised by that the conversion of energy into heat to precisely the extent that it would be subsequently lowered by the operation of the air set in motion. In actual practice the net result of fanning is that the temperature of the faner would be raised by one-sixtieth of a degree.

Nevertheless, that the fan is a delusion. In spite of the eternal truths of science, they will cling to their prejudices. It is very sad, or rather it would be very sad, were it conceivable that women should be scientific persons. Undoubtedly, they are much more as they are, and there is no reason for us to trouble ourselves because they ignore the correlation of forces and stick to their fans.

—New York Times.

A GAMBLER'S LAST STAKE.

In one of the novels of M. Dumas there is related how an inveterate gambler, having staked and lost everything belonging to him, staked his wife. This fictitious incident has just been reproduced in real life, the gambler being a French rag-gatherer, whose passion for the game of piquet has led to most unhappy consequences for himself. A few evenings ago, he was engaged in his favourite pastime with friends whose luck at cards was continual. The rag-gatherer's limited resources were quickly drained; he staked successively, when his purse was emptied, his watch, the little articles he had in his pocket, and his hat. There remained seemingly nothing left to gamble for, when a rather original idea struck him. The young woman who lived with him as his mistress was looking on at the game. His affection for the girl was great; but the temptation proved even stronger than his love, and he offered his adversary to play for the young woman. This offer was accepted cheerfully, the girl being pretty, and ten minutes later this last stake was lost. The rag-gatherer, who had staked his wife, was soon after taken to prison. The brighton that surrounds this I have caught. And hope to hold it safely to the end. Oh! may no sorrow dim thy life to-day, But perfect love crown all thy happy way.

MAX.

AN AFFECTING SENTENCE.

Judge X., of Arkansas, had brought before him a convicted felon to be sentenced. The opportunity to "improve" the occasion was not to be lost; and so, after the usual demand for reason why sentence should not be pronounced, his Honour slowly and with genuine feeling, addressed the prisoner. "My poor fellow, you are about to go to the penitentiary. You are required to give up, for a long term, everything which the great world values—your family, and, instead, to take for your associates only felons like yourself; and, to this intend what can you do? You have the semblance of a home; you will and so be subject to the order of them who have no sympathy with you. Even your ordinary clothing you exchange for—here it is. Honour raising his left arm, pointed to with the index finger of his right hand—striped clothes, the stripes running lengthwise, like those, but so round and round like a coon's tail."

THE DOCTOR AND THE SERPENT.

A serpent, 13 feet in length, belonging to the Zoological Gardens at Antwerp, which was recently suffering from inflammation of the jaws, was visited by a young day doctor. He entered bravely the pavilion reserved for the serpents, there being at the time about 30 pythons in the den. The doctor took hold of the invalid behind its head, intending to apply an ointment to its inflamed jaw, but the serpent, apparently disliking the operation, suddenly opened wide its mouth, uttering an impotent hiss, and began coiling itself tightly round the intruder, and began coiling its arms and legs were quickly and firmly bound. The keeper, who had accompanied the doctor, seeing the menacing attitude of the python, and remarking also considerable agitation amongst its companions, was overcome by fear and fled, leaving the unfortunate gentleman in a most critical and perilous position, for the serpent was tightening its hold on him momentarily. Luckily, however, he kept his presence of mind, and making no useless effort to free himself, gently relaxed his grasp upon the monster's head. The animal feeling itself free in its movements again, gradually unwound itself, passing its head right under the doctor's nose without attempting to bite his face, freeing his limb from their terrible bonds of its own accord. It then retired to a corner, as though quite contented with the effect of the gentle hint it had given the intruder to leave its jaw uncoiled.

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"No, sir."

"Ahl! I am very sorry; should so like to have met them!"

"I'll ask," said he.

"Oh, no matter; don't trouble yourself," replied the doctor, and added, *et cetera*. "By-the-way, when we go into the burgomaster's you may say to him that I am one of the Electors of New York travelling privately, and that I would feel greatly obliged if he would give me a good seat."

It took the doctor was formerly of great repute introduced an one of the electors of New York. The good burgomaster had but eight seats left, which he had to reserve for persons of distinction. One was handed politely to the doctor. The doctor paid the usual price for the same executing a graceful obeisance, and emanated from the presence of the elector a little while later with these words—

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HONGKONG MARKETS.

AS REPORTED BY CHINEESE ON THE 15TH DEC., 1880.

| COTTON GOODS. | | WOOLLEN GOODS. | |
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| London Drills, 12 lbs., per piece | \$2.95 to \$3.10 | Blankets, 1 lbs., per pair | \$1.85 to 4.25 |
| London Drills, 12 lbs., per piece | \$3.99 to 3.95 | Blankets, 12 lbs., per pair | \$1.85 to 6.25 |
| Cotton Yarn, No. 15 to 21, per 400 lbs. | \$8.50 to 9.00 | Cambric, 55s, per piece | \$1.50 to 15.00 |
| Cotton Yarn, No. 28 to 32, per 400 lbs. | \$9.00 to 12.00 | Cambric, 55s, per piece | \$1.50 to 16.00 |
| Cotton Yarn, Bombay | 17.00 to 22.00 | Cambric, 55s, per piece | \$1.50 to 17.00 |
| Chintz, per piece | \$1.70 to 1.75 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.00 to 14.00 |
| Dyed Spotted Shirts, per piece | \$2.95 to 3.75 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Dyed Spotted Shirts, per piece | \$2.95 to 3.75 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Dyed Damask Shirts, per piece | \$3.50 to 5.00 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| English Drills, 10 yards, per piece | \$2.45 to 2.50 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| English Drills, 15 lbs., per piece | \$2.85 to 2.95 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 7 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 8 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 10 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 12 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 15 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 18 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 21 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 24 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 27 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 30 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 33 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 36 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 39 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 42 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 45 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 48 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 51 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 54 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 57 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 60 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 63 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 66 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 69 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 72 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 75 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 78 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 81 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 84 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 87 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 90 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 93 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 96 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 99 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 102 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 105 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 1.30 | Cambric, 1 lbs., per piece | \$1.25 to 15.00 |
| Grey Shirts, 108 lbs | | | |